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FOR: INFORMATION SERVICE METHOD, INFORMATION SERVICE UNIT, RECORDING OR REPRODUCING CONTROLLING METHOD, AND RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING UNIT

## **AMENDMENT**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.